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## Wittington Family.

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**Dedicated  
to the  
Sigma Kappians.**



*Dick Wittington:* If I go on a yacht cruise you and Aunt  
Abigail will be worried about me all the time.  
*His Sister Ruth:* Not at all. Nothing ever  
happens to a drunken man.







“Would I have any luck if I should ask her for a kiss?”

*Dick:* Depends on what you call luck. I asked her  
the other night and it took me three hours  
to break away.







*Dick :* How did Yellowboise come to select such a young wife?

*Daisy Putter :* She selected him.







*Van Sponger :* I don't know what I should do if you  
rejected me.

*Ruth Wittington :* You would go on earning your own  
living.







*She :* Then it's all over between us.

*Dick :* Yes. All that remains now is to go back to the  
ones we were engaged to before.







*Dick Wittington :* I've spent fifteen hundred dollars on  
that girl in the last six months and now she refuses me.

*Sister Ruth :* But just think of what it  
would cost if she had accepted you.







“Do you mean to say that your daughter hasn’t told  
you that she was engaged to me?”

*Ruth’s Father :* No. I told her not to bother me with  
those affairs unless she intended to get married.







*Ruth's Aunt Abigail :* Mrs. Mashie? Oh, surely not! She is an awfully good woman; so devout.

*Miss Tissot :* But she flirts outrageously.

“Yes; but only with the Clergy, you know.”





*Dick Wittington :* I don't approve of those kissing games, do  
you ?

*She (demurely) :* No. There is always such a crowd.







"A pity to waste so much sweetness! Eh, Dick?"

"No, Jim, it's not that; but I do hate to see a woman  
doing a man's work."









*Miss Daisy Putter :* I suppose we must stop playing  
golf on Sundays now that we have a clergyman  
in the club.

*Dick Wittington :* Oh, no ; there is room for all.





*Clara :* Do you suppose it will take Charlie Van Chubb long  
to propose?

*Ruth Wittington :* It never has.





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*He :* Is your father a large man?

*Ruth :* Reasonably so. I have seen him take a gentleman of your size and throw him through the window half way across the lawn.







*Daisy Putter :* Reggie says he loves me for keeps. What does that mean?

*Reggie :* It means forever.

*Ruth Wittington :* No. It means you can keep his presents if it's broken off.





*Ruth Wittington :* It does men good to be jilted.

*The Rejected One :* I hardly think so. Most of them get  
over it and marry some one.







*He :* Isn't that Daisy Putter at the next table?

*Ruth Wittington :* Yes. She is looking for an ideal.

"What kind of a man is that?"

"Oh, any millionaire."









*Dick Wittington* : You looked so witching that, yielding to  
an ungovernable impulse, I kissed you.  
“ But I am a married woman ! ”  
“ I felt that if your husband had been here he  
would have done the same.”





*Dick:* Are you sure you will never love anyone else?

"You wouldn't want me to be like that!"

"Why not?"

"Why, it's the feeling that I might fall in love  
with another man at any time, that makes  
me love you all the more."







*Dick :* I cannot begin to tell you how much I love you.

“Don't you think, anyway, that words alone are inadequate?”







*Dick Wittington:* Darling, you have no idea how much I  
love you !  
“ But I am willing to learn.”





“Well, Ruth, shall we pay the house-rent or give a dinner?”

“Why, give the dinner, of course! What good will paid-up house-rent do us if we lose our social position?”







"I think I shall take Ruth to Niagara."

"Didn't you just go there on your wedding trip?"

"Yes, but now we want to go and see what it  
looks like."















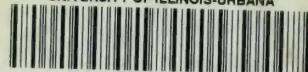








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